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Weather Clears, Work Picks Up, Says McGinley

Improvement in weather conditions in the Salinas area has resulted in a sharp increase in employment of building trades workers, according to J. B. McGinley, business agent of Salinas Laborers Union 272.

McGinley listed new work and expected projects in a report last week as follows:

Four laborers and a hodcarrier have been dispatched by Local 272 to the State Forestry Service Camp at Bitterwater, in Hernandez Canyon, northeast of King City. These men will stay at the camp, receiving board and room, under provisions of an agreement with the state.

Raymond Concrete Co. of San Francisco has been assembling equipment at Moss Landing preparatory to start of work on the Stone & Webster project for Pacific Gas & Electric Co. Pile work is expected to be started this week.

The City of Salinas is calling bids for sewer work in the Sanborn Road area between Alisal and the railroad tracks, a project which will call for a number of laborers later.

Contractor George Fiske of Salinas is erecting administration offices at Hartnell College grounds, at the end of Alisal street.

Salinas Union High School trustees have sold 13 acres of land on West Alisal Street to the Catholic Church as site for a new Sacred Heart High School and athletic field. First section of the new high school will be the gymnasium and physical education building, at cost of \$148,623, with contract let to Vern Huck of Salinas.

AFL Auto Wkrs. Win

Milwaukee (LPA)—The AFL Auto Workers report winning of three more plants in their organizing drive—the Aluminum Body Corp., on the west coast in an NLRB election, 3 to 1; the Amity Co. plant at West Bend, Wis., 2 to 1; and the Sebewaing Industries Co. plant at Sebewaing, Mich.

AFL Warns Unions of Phony Ad Campaign

The phony operations of the Trade Union Currier in this area were brought to the attention of AFL affiliates in the Bay Area this week by George Meany, secretary of the American Federation of Labor.

He pointed out that the Currier, which represents itself to be an AFL publication, is not endorsed by the AFL, and has no official connection with it. Similar warnings about this paper's misrepresentations have been issued by the AFL before.

Meany said that the Currier was currently engaged in the solicitation of newspaper ads via long distance telephone calls to California business firms. These operations are probably in connection with the AFL convention here in 1951.

Business men, and unions too, should be chary of dealings with fly-by-night ad campaigns promoted by unscrupulous operators who move annually into areas



HERBERT RIVERS—Secretary-Treasurer of the AFL Building and Construction Trades Department continuously since 1937, died on December 6 at the age of 62, following an operation.

MUSICIANS BACK IN SALINAS CLC

Re-affiliation of Musicians Union 616 of Monterey County with the Central Labor Council at Salinas was accepted at the council's meeting last week, Secretary Alfred J. Clark reports.

Business at the meeting also included a report that Carpenters Union 925 is working with Laborers Union 272 in planning a larger, more roomy Labor Temple for Salinas. Local 272 owns the present Temple and has been planning a new building for some time.

Clark said that business at the meeting was mostly routine in nature and included excellent and detailed reports from local unions represented.

Scab Professors

In Ithaca, N. Y., the AFL Building Service Employees Union charged that officials of Cornell University were bringing in scabs to break a strike of maintenance workers. The scabs were even ordered to work in a building housing the Cornell Industrial School of Labor Relations, an institution established to teach the importance of harmonious labor-management relations.

Labor's Annual Yule Party For Kiddies Set Saturday

CARPENTERS 1323 FIRST YULE PARTY SET FOR FRIDAY

Santa Claus will come to the Monterey Carpenters Hall in New Monterey on Friday night for the first time as Carpenters Union 1323 holds its first Christmas Tree Party there.

Union officials said that the party would include the serving of refreshments, entertainment, and distribution of stockings laden with fruit, nuts and candy to all children present.

All members of Local 1323 have been invited to attend the party and to bring their wives and children. The affair is planned primarily for the youngsters but with fun for young and old.

All week, special committee members appointed by the union have been decorating the hall and arranging for the large lighted Christmas Tree, which promises to be a major attraction.

Cambiano Visits Carpenter Group

Joseph Cambiano, president of the California State Council of Carpenters and international representative for the craft, was a visitor at the meeting of the Monterey Bay Area district council of Carpenters at Santa Cruz last week.

Cambiano reviewed the employment situation of the entire state and discussed wage and contract problems.

Business of the council was generally routine in nature, officials said. Santa Cruz Local 829 was host. Next meeting will be January 9 in Salinas.

Some Sardines Taken from Bay

Ray of hope that the elusive sardine is returning to former haunts in Monterey Bay waters was seen last week when local fishermen brought in four tons of excellent quality sardines for a local fish canning plant.

Officials of the Monterey Fish Cannery Workers Union said other plants continued to bring in sardines by truck, most of them being reduced for fertilizer. Most of the large fishing boats are in southern waters where the sardine run has been heavy.

Pipe Re-Lining Project Starts

Re-lining of the 24-inch water mains from Highway 1 at Carmel to the Dos Padres Dam has been started by the American Pipe Line Co. of Los Angeles, the firm using a special rig which runs through the pipe cleaning it out and spraying a concrete-type lining on the inside. Members of Laborers Union 690 are employed in the project, Business Agent S. M. Thomas reports.

Big Show Planned; Gifts, Fruit To Be Distributed to Children

One of the most eagerly awaited events of the Yuletide season—the AFL Annual Christmas Party for children of the Salinas area—will be held this Saturday evening at the Salinas Union High School Auditorium with a record attendance expected and with entertainment and gifts for all youngsters.

Officials of the Central Labor Council in Salinas have been planning the Christmas Party for several months and they all have everything in readiness for the affair which will open with a circus-type vaudeville show on the stage starting promptly at 7:30.

The vaudeville will last for about one and one-half hours and will be followed by the appearance of Santa Claus, who will give each youngster under 12 present a toy valued at \$1 or more and will distribute cellophane bags of candy, fruit, nuts and favors to the kiddies.

Because of the expected crowd of 3000 and because each year some youngsters are turned away when the auditorium is filled, the committee in charge has made two special requests this year:

1. Adults are asked to leave their children at the show and call for them early. Firemen and policemen will be on hand to take care of youngsters.

2. Come early! The show, which has been brought from Oakland, must begin promptly at 7:30 so that the rest of the program will

Business Agent Study Course Expected Soon

Labor union representatives in this area soon will have the opportunity to take special courses in labor relations and allied subjects under plans now being laid by the state agencies and the University of California.

James T. Mann, Watsonville union official, and Fred Floodberg, vocational training instructor in Watsonville schools, would assist in the 10-week course if sufficient union officials signed as students.

Instructors would be Donald Irwin, of University of California; Edwin T. Shaw, of San Jose State College, and others who are versed in labor problems.

Union officials wanting more information should contact Hazel Shireman, secretary of Watsonville Labor Council.

Mont. Laborers Have Yule Fete

Members of Laborers Union 690 of Monterey, accompanied by wives and children, filled the Moose Hall last Saturday night for a Christmas party and dance. Union Business Agent S. M. Thomas said music for the dance was to be provided by Ernie Sheriff's orchestra. The party included serving of refreshments and distribution of gifts to youngsters.

The celebration of Labor day was inaugurated by the Knights of Labor in New York City in 1882.

be completed before too late. Auditorium doors open at 6:30.

Assistant Fire Chief Elmer Anderson of Salinas has agreed to be on hand to direct the children in their lineup and march past Santa Claus again this year.

The AFL Committee has purchased 1500 toys, each of \$1 or more value; 20 boxes of apples, 15 boxes of oranges, 700 pounds of Christmas candy, 250 pounds of nuts, along with other favors to make the affair a big success.

Cellophane bags to hold the candy and fruit were donated for the third straight year by Sunny Valley Packing Co., 618 El Camino Real North, where Operators Al Brown and W. T. Tooney have always been anxious to support the Christmas Party project.

This year's vaudeville show contains some of the top acts of the nation as lined up by Hal Morris Theatrical Agency of Oakland. Music for the stage show is donated by Musicians Union 616, through the Petrillo Recording Fund program.

On the show will be such acts as: Poochie Poogie, magician who features live rabbits; Harry Todd, with his trained dogs; Francis Dainty & Co., a slack wire and bicycle trick act, and Dude Kimball, the comedy plumber with a slapstick offering.

Various unions and officials have been active in pre-party work of preparing the auditorium for the party and in getting the gifts and favors ready.

Business Agent Harvey Baldwin and members of Carpenters Union 925 installed the towering Christmas tree, which was painted by Business Agent Peter Greco and members of Painters Union 1104 and was lighted by Business Agent Karl Ozols and members of Electrical Workers Union 243.

Secretary John Mattos of Laborers Union 272 is in charge of the toy distribution. Business Agent J. B. McGinley of Local 272 was head of the group which placed the fruit, nuts and candy in the cellophane bags. Harold Miller, secretary of Retail Clerks Union 839, assisted in the purchase of the fruit and nuts.

The labor council named a general Christmas Party Committee several months ago to plan and arrange the annual party. Randolph Fenchel, president of Laborers Union 272, is committee chairman again this year and has done a good job in making the parties a great success in past years. Secretary of the committee is Alfred J. Clark, also labor council secretary.

Because of the large committee and because of the many people who are assisting in the party, all names cannot be listed. Committee Chairman Fenchel asked that this paper extend his thanks to all for their help and apologize to any person who is not listed specifically herein.

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In Union Circles

Mildred Putman, well known in labor circles as an office secretary for Culinary Alliance 467 and other groups, has been assisting the Central Labor Council at Salinas in raising funds for the Kiddies Christmas Party next Saturday night.

Laborers Union 272 of Salinas is sending out calendars and thermometers to various unions and labor leaders throughout the state, annual Christmas greetings. These calendars are kept by most unions for the entire year and are constant mementos of the Salinas union.

Peter A. Andrade, secretary-treasurer of General Teamsters Union 890, leaves this week for Southern California where he and his wife will spend the holidays. He will be back early in the new year.

James Bolin, business agent of Painters Union 272 of Monterey, was in Bakersfield last week end, attending a meeting called by the State Conference of Painters.

Bertha A. Boles, secretary of Salinas Culinary Alliance 467, was called to Los Angeles last week by illness of members of her family.

Donald Davies Jr., for 25 years city engineer at Salinas, has resigned his post effective last week, it was announced. Civil service examinations are planned by the city for his successor. Davies has long been known as a friend of union officials and the working people and his resignation is regretted in the union field.

Monterey Cement Finishers Union 337 has announced determination to enforce its jurisdiction over setting of screeds on all concrete jobs. S. M. Thomas, union business agent, says the Finishers have jurisdiction as result of awards in 1920 and 1944 and that he is determined to hold the jurisdiction.

Dig Incentive
In Addis Ababa, Abyssinia, a union official proposed that a new contract covering workers digging a right-of-way for a railroad include a special "incentive clause". The clause would give the diggers ownership of any gold nuggets they uncovered and the property rights to any plot of land that might contain gold near the railroad as long as it wasn't owned by someone else.

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CHEMICALS IN FOODS MAY CAUSE CANCER

Washington (LPA)—A cancer expert has urged revision of the Pure Food & Drug Act "to protect the public from insidious cancer-producing chemicals."

Dr. Francis E. Ray, director of the University of Florida's Cancer Research Laboratory, told the special House Committee on Chemicals investigating the act, that any new chemical which is to be added to food should be tested for at least 18 months on large numbers of animals. There is no such protection for consumers in the present law. Ray said the government should ban the use of arsenic sprays on tobacco and food crops, and the use of sex hormones in cosmetics.

The "high incidence of lung cancer among heavy smokers" he said, may be due to a residue from insecticides containing arsenic which some farmers spray on their growing tobacco crops.

Female sex hormones, used in some cosmetics now, have been "shown to induce cancer in female animals when administered for a long period," he told them.

Evidence showing the need for changes in the law continues to pile up before the committee. Only a few manufacturers and trade associations have opposed the precautionary measures suggested.

Dr. Howard A. Schneider of the Rockefeller Institute for Medical Research debunked the "vastly over-rated" vitamin pills and "other so-called nutrients." Vitamins at present don't raise the individual's resistance to disease, the doctor

said, and "until such day as some new and probably unknown form of nutrient is found we should maintain an attitude of skeptical waiting on this score."

A Pennsylvania dentist, Dr. Fred D. Miller, told the committee that candy and soft drinks are injuring the teeth and weakening the stamina of American youth. Miller urged Congress to put a luxury tax on "foodless foods"—soft drinks, refined sugar and refined flour—because they are detrimental to health.

Most food companies, afraid of public opinion if they testified against the legislation, have avoided the committee. None has volunteered to testify in favor of the needed changes.

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BAKERS 24—Meets 3rd Saturday at Labor Temple, 117 Pajaro St., at 8 p.m. Pres., J. N. Butler, Jr., 418 Monterey St., phone 4110; Sec.-Treas., N. H. Freeman, 30 W. Alisal St., phone 9782.

BARBERS 827—Meets 3rd Tuesday at Labor Temple, 117 Pajaro St., at 8 p.m. Pres., J. N. Butler, Jr., 418 Monterey St., phone 4110; Sec.-Treas., N. H. Freeman, 30 W. Alisal St., phone 9782.

BARTENDERS 545—Meets 1st and 3rd Mondays at 8 p.m. at Salinas Labor Temple, 117 Pajaro St., Sec.-Bus. Agt., Al J. Clark, 117 Pajaro St., phone 4633. Pres., Virgil K. Knight, office 117 Pajaro St., phone 4633.

BUILDING & CONSTRUCTION TRADES COUNCIL OF MONTEREY COUNTY—Meets 1st and 3rd Thursdays at 8 p.m. at 315 Alvarado St., Monterey. Pres., William K. Grubbs, 76 Forest Ave., Pacific Grove. Rec. Sec., Harry Foster, Box 424, Marina, phone Mont. 2-3002. Bus. Agt., John R. Martins, Salinas office, 274 East Alisal, phone 2-1603; Monterey office, 315 Alvarado, phone 5-6744.

BUTCHERS 508 (Salinas Branch)—Meets 1st Monday at Carpenters Hall at 8 p.m. Pres., Clark Bannert, 1209 1st Ave., phone 2-0720. Bus. Agt., E. L. Courtwright, 1881 Jonathan Ave., San Jose, Cypress 5-3849. Hollister-Gilroy, Officers: Pres., Richard Santa, 122 Vine St., Hollister, phone 332; Rec.-Sec., Harold Johnson, Rte. 2, Box 139, Hollister, phone 4375.

CALIFORNIA STATE FEDERATION OF LABOR—C. J. Haggerty, Secretary & Legislative Representative, 810 David Hewes Bldg., 995 Market St., San Francisco 3; phone Sutter 1-2838. District Vice-President, Thomas A. Small, office 306 Seventh Ave., San Mateo; phone Diamond 3-6984.

CARPENTERS 825—Meets 1st and 3rd Tuesdays at 7:30 p.m., Carpenters Hall. Pres., Herbert Nelson, Fin. Sec. and Bus. Agt., Harvey Baldwin, 556 San Benito, phone Salinas 6716; Rec. Sec., A. O. Miller, Hall and office, 1422 N. Main St., phone 3253.

CARPENTERS 1279 (King City)—Meets 1st and 3rd Fridays at King City Carpenters hall. Pres., Bill Young, phone 376-J. Sec., A. W. Heiger, 411 South San Lorenzo Ave., phone 294-W.

CARPENTERS AUXILIARY 373—Meets 2nd Tuesday, Carpenters Hall, 8 p.m. Pres., Mrs. Lewis Egan, 140 Linden St., phone 4603; Sec., Mrs. Roy Bryerton, 333 1/2 Central Ave.; Fin. Sec. & Bus. Agt., Mrs. W. A. Pilliar, 123 Prunedale, phone 9502. Office at Carpenters hall, 422 N. Main, phone 9293.

CENTRAL LABOR UNION (Monterey County), Salinas—Meets every Friday at 8 p.m. at 117 Pajaro St. Pres., R. A. Wood. Sec.-Treas., Alfred J. Clark, office at Labor Temple, 117 Pajaro St., Salinas, phone 7787.

CULINARY ALLIANCE 467—Meets 2nd Monday at 2:00 p.m. and 4th Monday at 8:00 p.m. at Salinas Labor Temple. Pres., Alan Meeks, Sec., Bertha B. Bies, Office, Glikburg Bldg., 5 West Gabilan St., phone 6209.

DRY CLEANERS 258-B—Meets 2nd Thursdays, Wm. Nuelle, 1027 Del Monte St., phone 2-3590. Sec.-Treas., Josephine Jones, 674 E. Market, phone 2-0911; Receiver, Lawrence Palacios, 2940 16th St., San Francisco, phone MA. 1-3336.

ELECTRICAL WORKERS 243—Meets 1st Wednesdays, Executive Board, 3rd Wednesday, 117 Pajaro St. Pres., Alvin Lauer, Baldwin Train Court, phone 2-3673. Fin. Sec. and Bus. Mgr., Karl E. Ozols, office 117 Pajaro St., phone 2-2880.

ENGINEERS (stationary) 39—Meets 3rd Wednesdays, 117 Pajaro, Salinas, 8 p.m. Pres., Frank Brantley; Sec., Leo J. Dero; Mgr., C. C. Fitch; bus. Agt., R. A. Christensen, Rm. 483, Porter Bldg., San Jose, phone Cypress 2-5939. Main office, 3004 16th St., San Francisco, phone Underhill 1-1130.

FISH CANNERY WORKERS & FISHERMEN'S UNION OF THE PACIFIC, SAN FRANCISCO AND MOSS LANDING BAY AREAS—Sec.-Treas., Geo. Issel, office 257 Fifth St., Richmond, Calif., phone Beacon 5-0852; Asst. Sec., Luther Cloud, 16th and Capp St., San Francisco, phone Market 1-4953. Branch Agt., Ronald Schaeffer, Moss Landing, phone Castroville 6572.

JOINT EXECUTIVE BOARD, Bartenders 545 and Culinary Alliance 467—Meets 2nd Wednesdays 2 p.m. at Labor Temple. Pres., Bertha A. Bies, phone 6209; Sec., A. J. Clark, 117 Pajaro St., phone 4633.

LABORERS 272—Meets 2nd Monday at 8 p.m. at 117 Pajaro St. Pres., R. Fenchel, 146 Hitchcock Rd., phone 3810, office 6339. Sec., J. F. Mattos, 102 Toro, phone 6777. Bus. Agt., J. B. McGinley, Labor Temple, 117 Pajaro St., phone 6777.

LATHERS 122—Meets 3rd Friday, Watsonville Labor Temple, 8 p.m. Pres., Roy R. Benge, Hilby St., Monterey. Sec., Ronald Hodges, 612 Wilson St., Salinas, phone 2-2906. Bus. Agt., John R. Martins, office 117 Pajaro St., Salinas, phone 2-1603.

LAUNDRY WORKERS 238—Meets 3rd Thursday at Salinas Labor Temple, at 7:30 p. m. Pres., Hazel Skewes, 1314 2nd Ave., Sec.-Treas., Grace MacHossie, 59-1st Ave. Receiver, Lawrence Palacios, 2940 16th St., San Francisco. phone MA. 1-3336. Office, 117 Pajaro St., phone 6209.

MECHANICS AND MACHINISTS 1824—Meets 1st Tuesday, Executive Board, 2nd Thursday, Labor Temple, 8 p.m. Pres., Alex. Day, res. 611 Doss Ave., phone 2-3775; Fin. Sec., L. W. Parker, 1429 Wren St., phone Salinas 9494.

OFFICE EMPLOYEES 29 (Business Offices)—Meets on call. Headquarters 1918 Grove St., Oakland, phone TWin Oaks 3-5933. Sec., Marilyn E. Anglin; Bus. Agt., John B. Kinnick.

OFFICE EMPLOYEES 94 (Union Offices)—Meets on call. Headquarters 463 Porter Bldg., San Jose, phone Cypress 2-6993. Sec. and Bus. Agt., Jeannette Zoccoli.

PAINTERS 1104—Meets 2nd and 4th Tuesdays, 117 Pajaro St., 7:30 p.m. Pres., Walter Ebel, 530 Park St., phone 2-2884. Rec. Sec., L. Wendelkin, 513 James St., Fin.-Sec. and B. A. Peter A. Greco, 417 Lincoln Ave. Office, 117 Pajaro St., phone 8783.

PLASTERERS 763—Meets 4th Thursday, Labor Temple, 8 p.m. Pres., Ray T. Jones, 146 Pine St., phone 5530. Sec., C. R. Pendergrass, 210 Dennis, phone 2-1553. Bus. Agt., John R. Martins, office, 117 Pajaro, phone 2-1603.

PLUMBERS & STEAMFITTERS 503—Meets 2nd and 4th Tuesdays, Salinas Moose Hall, 7:30 p.m.; (Ex. Board meets every Tuesday, 7 p.m.) Pres., Bert La Forge; Fin. and Rec. Sec., John W. Drew; Bus. Agent., E. R. Arbuckle Office at Labor Temple, 117 Pajaro St., phone 2-3517.

POSTAL CARRIERS 1046—Meets every 3rd Wednesday, Civic Club, 8 p.m. Pres., J. H. Fischer, 12B Mercer Way, Sec. H. C. Schielke, 636 El Camino Real No., phone 7080.

PRESSMEN 328 (Monterey Bay Area Printing Pressmen & Ass'ts. Union)—Meets 3rd Monday of month at Salinas at 8 p.m. Pres., Harry Wingard 950 Colton, Monterey; Sec.-Treas., Robert P. Meders, 151 Toro Ave., Salinas.

RETAIL CLERKS 839—Meets 2nd Wednesday, Women's City Club, 8 p.m. Pres., Raymond Groth, 116 19th St., phone P.G. 5-3389. Sec. and Bus. Agt., Garold F. Miller, 881 Beach St., Salinas, phone 2-3366. Office, 6 W. Gabilan St., Room 1, phone 4938.

ROOFERS 50—Meets 2nd Friday, Watsonville Labor Temple, 8 p.m. Pres., Donald King, 106 Irving, Monterey, phone 3014; Sec.-Treas., John Murphy, 616 Elm St., Rt. 1, Monterey.

SHEET METAL WORKERS 304—Meets 1st Friday alternately at Castroville and Watsonville. (This local has jurisdiction over Monterey and Santa Cruz counties.) Pres., John Alsop, Pacific Grove, phone Monterey 2-3825; Rec. Sec., Ray Kalbal, Box 250, Boulder Creek; Fin. Sec. Ray Opler, 924 East St., Salinas, phone 9274; Bus. Rep., Harry Foster, Box 424, Marina. Office phone Monterey 5-6744.

STATE COUNTY MUNICIPAL EMPLOYEES 420—Meets on call. Pres., H. E. Lyons, 15 West St., Salinas; Sec.-Treas., W. P. Karcich, 20 Natividad Rd., Salinas, phone 2-2691.

SUGAR REFINERY WORKERS 20618—Meets 2nd and 4th Mondays, Firemen's Hall at 8 p.m. Pres., Frank Hughes, Spreckels. Sec.-Treas., Robert S. MacRae, Spreckels, phone 3064. Rec. Sec., Louis Ferreira.

TEACHERS 1020—Meets on call. Sec. Fred Clayson, 70 Robley Road, Corral de Tierra, Salinas, Phone 3045.

THEATRICAL STAGE EMPLOYEES AND MOTION PICTURE OPERATORS 811—Meets 1st Tuesday every month at 9:30 a.m. at Watsonville Labor Temple. Pres., Geo. Smith, 1122 Garner St., Salinas; Bus. Agt., James Wilson, 228 Peyton St., Santa Cruz, phone 1216; Sec., Dave Green, P.O. Box 584, Watsonville, phone Watsonville 757.

TYPOGRAPHICAL 543—Meets last Sunday of month alternating between Salinas and Watsonville. Pres., D. R. Harrison. Sec.-Treas., A. C. Davis, 109 Prospect St., Watsonville, phone 9591.

GENERAL TEAMSTERS, WAREHOUSEMEN AND HELPERS 890—Meets 2nd Tuesday at Salinas High Auditorium, 8 p.m. Pres., Ray Burditt, Sec., Peter A. Andrade; Bus. Agt., Wm. G. Kenyon, phone 2-0497. Office, 274 E. Alisal St., Salinas, phone 5743.

AFL Carriers Promote Home Delivery

St. Louis (LPA).—You can have any of the three commercial dailies in this city delivered to your door FREE for two weeks. You can also have the St. Louis Labor Tribune for two weeks on the same terms. Paper Carriers Union-AFL, Local 450 is paying the bill. Fred W. Eck, union business manager, says the idea is to show the desirability and dependability of home delivery.

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WHOLESALE GRANT BOOST TO BUTCHERS

Wage increase of \$4 per week for all classifications plus a welfare plan paid for by employers have been granted to wholesale division members of Butchers Union 506 of San Jose and Santa Clara, Monterey, San Benito and Santa Cruz counties.

Executive Secretary Earl A. Moorhead of Local 506 said the welfare plan will cost employers \$10.18 per employee and is similar to that already in effect for retail butchers. The welfare plan becomes effective Jan. 1 and the wage increase is effective as of Dec. 4.

The increases affect slaughterhouse workers, jobbing house workers, sausage makers, boners, by-products workers and service sales drivers in the four counties under jurisdiction of Local 506.

Negotiations have been conducted for some time between the union and the Central Coast Counties Meat Processors Association.

Plan Training

Washington.—President James A. Brownlow of the AFL Metal Trades Department led AFL experts at the first of a series of conferences with federal officials on plans for training workers in the national emergency.

Peter Henle, AFL economist, and President A. J. Hayes of the International Association of Machinists also were among the labor spokesmen who met with Secretary of Labor Maurice J. Tobin, Manpower Director Robert C. Goodwin and Director W. F. Patterson of the Bureau of Apprenticeship.

News Guild Wins On Spanish Daily

New York (LPA)—The New York Newspaper Guild was chosen by the editorial and commercial employees of El Diario, Spanish language daily, 24 to 4, in a National Labor Relations Board election. The Guild previously had won at the Ready to Wear Scout and the Times Tower.



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EDITORIALS

SQUANDERING OUR MONEY

Since World War II ended in 1945 we have been cursed with having misfits in Congress, whom we, the American people, helped to elect. These members of Congress, as well as our President of the United States, seem to have been obsessed by a mental complex that impelled them to indulge in wanton spending on an enormous scale that topped more than forty billion dollars each year. That means that we have had more than two hundred billion dollars wrung from us during past five years by federal taxes, which do not include the even more numerous taxes, fees and indiscriminate traffic fines and license exactions being collected by states, counties and municipalities.

We have been told that our huge tax levy by our federal government was necessary, not only to put the war-impooverished countries of Europe back on their feet but to build up military strength to a point that would be second to none in this whole wide world. Then here comes Korea and the entire American nation stands aghast at our dismal state of unpreparedness. Although we emerged from world conflict where war production was worked up to high gear only five years ago, most of what we then had on hand was either sold for a song or given away outright, as were billions donated to Europe and Asia.

So here we are at the close of 1950, with profiteers on every hand gouging the life out of most of us, and still so little war preparedness achieved that we can't help asking what has been done with all our more than two hundred billion dollars during the past five years. Evidently very little preparedness was achieved. How was the money squandered?

FACING REALITIES

Much of the mass of argument being continually dished out to people on labor questions is evidently intended to confuse and befuddle the average person, who does not as a rule go very deep nor at all thoroughly into the subjects being discussed.

Value of wages being paid in our day and age present the stern reality that it is not the number of dollars and cents received for each day's work that determines how much a wage-earner is being paid. The only yardstick that has any real meaning is how much of the necessities of life a worker can buy with the wages he is being paid for whatever work he may be doing.

It follows inevitably that whenever prices are rising faster than wages go up the wage-earners or people with fixed incomes are getting the short end of the bargain, while all price increases that take place without any corresponding increase in wages or fixed incomes leave the consumer so affected to face the stern reality of being compelled to live on less. The more money is being inflated, the less it will buy, and all our plain people are the losers.

ABOUT FREEZING PRICES

One of the most discussed topics since the war in Korea was launched last June 25th has been that of freezing prices where they were on that date. For six solid months there has been much talk about what ought to be done, but right there the entire matter still rests. We are assured with additional talk that in three or four months from now something undoubtedly will have to be done about it, but for the present nothing is being done except to appeal to the patriotism of the profiteers not to go too strong on their price increases, but their response has been regular and systematic further increases in their prices.

As a result of what is actually taking place, the participants of the business world of today have experienced the wildest race of all time to outdo one another in charging higher and ever higher prices for all of life's necessities. Not only have the all-time high peak price levels of 1948 been reached again, and passed, but for several weeks prices have been soaring to still higher levels.

Finally Truman did declare, Dec. 16th, that a state of emergency exists and a few isolated controls have been announced.

Since only a small percentage of our people have received any wage increases since June 25th, anybody can see the unfairness of freezing wages where they are now, which in most cases will be the same as they were when the Korean war started, while prices have been continually rising to unprecedented peak levels. To freeze prices at these high levels and also to freeze wages where they are is injustice in big gobs.

Resolved:

THAT I will attend my local union meetings.

THAT I will take an active part in union affairs.

THAT I will sign up all the new members I can.

THAT I will support to the full all efforts of organized labor to improve living standards and to bring peace to the world.

THAT I will be a full-time citizen and be active in the affairs of my community and keep myself informed about my country and the world.



These things I resolve to do in 1951 because I am a trade unionist and firmly believe in the world-wide program of the Free Trade Unions to bring FREEDOM, PEACE and PROSPERITY to all mankind.

MADISON, Wis.—This is the back cover of "The Public Employee" for January 1951, official publication of the AFL American Federation of State, County, and Municipal Workers, which can be used as a poster on local union bulletin boards. Copies may be obtained from the union or magazine, Federation Building, Madison 1, Wis.

JOKES, Etc.

Mrs. Brown was complaining to her doctor that his bill was too high.

"Don't forget," he reminded her, "that I made 11 visits to Tommy when he had the measles."

"Don't you forget," she replied, "that Tommy made you wealthy by giving it to the whole school."

Post office clerk to lady mailing the old family Bible to her brother in a distant city: "Anything breakable in here?"

Lady: "Nothing but the Ten Commandments."

Festive One—"Whash yer looking for?"

Policeman—"We're looking for a drowned man."

Festive One—"Whash yer want one for?"

Al Wynn of Bay Cities Metal Trades Council tells the one about the mother hen bawling out a wayward chick: "If your father could see you now, he'd turn over in his grave!"

Bob Root of Stockton Laborers says that skis are the swiftest transportation from white-blanketed mountains to white-sheeted hospital beds.

After that gag about a new crop of Japs born with red hair and blue eyes, a reader sent in: "Occidents will happen."

It looks as if Russia has a hot poTito on her hands.

Opportunity merely knocks — temptation kicks the door in.

Buried treasure: The first husband a woman is always bragging about to her second.

"Tiny" Small of San Mateo tells us about an old friend he met, was shocked by his altered appearance. His face looked haggard, eyes were glassy, clothes draped awkwardly on him. Asked if he had been ill, the friend replied: "No, but my wife is on a reducing diet."

Customer: "One mouse trap, please, in a hurry—I have to catch a bus."

Clerk: "Sorry, sir, our traps don't come that big."

Jay Smedley of Santa Barbara Building Trades Council says the book which fascinates any executive most is his volume of business.

"Forgot my umbrella this morning," said the absent-minded professor to his wife.

"How did you remember that you had forgotten it?" she asked.

"Well, I missed it when I raised my hand to close it after the rain stopped."

Ed Doran of Stockton Engineers says a lot of politicians now are studying the benefits of women's girdles . . . they figure next election they'll have a two-way stretch platform.

Something's going to slip sooner or later. The world is standing on Uncle Sam's shoulders, he's standing on the American taxpayer's back, and the American taxpayer is standing on the ragged edge.—Cincinnati Enquirer.

Mike Chioino of Shipfitters Local 9 reminds us of an old military gag, favorite of World War II: "If it moves, salute it; if it doesn't, pick it up; if too big to pick up, paint it."

Employer: "Who told you that you could neglect your office duties just because I kissed you once in a while?"

Steno: "My lawyer."



BAD COMPANY—Or just bad enough? Adele Jorgens provides her own answer in "The Sound of Fury," new United Artists movie. Of special interest to labor, the picture shows what happens when the yellow press whips a town into frenzied hysteria.

Labor Conferees Want USES Back To Federal Control

Washington (LPA).—The 17th National Conference on Labor Legislation, composed of state labor commissioners and union leaders, has urged that the 1800 state employment offices be returned to federal control.

The offices were under U. S. control from 1942 to 1946, but were returned to the states after the war, although still run with federal money. Under state control they are more open to political pressure than they were under the federal government.

The conference, which had delegates from 40 states, also urged Congress to pass a national system of workmen's compensation insurance to cover atomic attack. It said one concentrated attack might bankrupt any insurance company or even an entire state. It also asked that the National Labor Relations Board and all federal mediation and conciliation services be put under the Department of Labor.

Secretary of Labor Maurice J. Tobin told delegates that defense production has not reached a point where it is necessary to relax the 40-hour week. He said that the outcome of the current struggle between "a free world and a slave world" depends on how well trained and efficient the productive force of this country is.

Women were called on to participate in the production effort by the Committee on Social Problems of Women and Young Workers and the Committee on Labor Standards said that sound labor standards and good working conditions are basic to high production.

Unless there is total war we should avoid a national service act whereby workers would be assigned to jobs, the Committee on Training said. It recommended the promotion of apprenticeship and other types of on-the-job training.

AFL Warns Unions of Phony Ad Campaign

(Continued from Page One) No official segment of the Labor Movement was for him.

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Cal. Nov. Pay Gains, 8 Cents

(State Fed. Release)

A. F. of L. and related workers gained an increase of 8c per hour as a result of negotiations in California during November. Approximately 154,000 workers were covered.

Last week we presented details for the building trades, the Butchers, and the Teamsters. The remaining trade gains are listed below. Details are from the labor press.

BAKERS

Bakers 37, Los Angeles, AND retail hand shops: 11c; Nov. 1950; 1,000 workers.

Bakers 146, Bakersfield, AND major machine shops: 12½c; retro. to Oct. 1, 1950; about 100 workers.

Bakers 453, Los Angeles, AND Hebrew Master Bakers Assn.: \$4.50 week; Nov. 1950; 300 workers.

BUILDING SERVICE

Building Service Employees 87, San Francisco, AND Northern California Distributors Assn.: 5c; Nov. 1950; about 200 workers.

Building Service Employees 87, San Francisco, AND Bay Area Brewers: 12½c; Nov. 1950; 75 workers.

Building Service Employees 217, Los Angeles, AND hotel employers: 80c per day; Nov. 1950; about 150 workers.

CLERKS

Retail Clerks 428, San Jose, AND two department stores: 7½c; Oct. 2, 1950; 450 workers.

Retail Shoe and Textile Salesmen 410, San Francisco, AND independent shoe and clothing store employers: \$15 month; eff. Sept. 1, 1950; 400 workers.

Street Railway Employees 1291, Bakersfield, AND National City Lines (Bakersfield): 5c; Oct. 1950; about 100 workers.

Retail Grocery Clerks 648, San Francisco, AND candy and bakery employers: \$8.60 per month to health and welfare plan; Nov. 1950; 525 workers.

Retail Clerks 1167, Colton, AND food employers: 5c eff. Nov. 1, 1951, and health plan eff. April 1, 1951; about 600 workers.

CULINARY

Culinary Workers Joint Board, Los Angeles, AND race tracks: 65c to 80c per day; Oct. 1950; 600 workers.

METAL TRADES

Machinists, Santa Barbara and Ventura, AND dairy industry: 10c; Nov. 1950; about 100 workers.

Machinists (Automotive) No. 428, Stockton, AND Automotive Assn.: 10c; Nov. 13, 1950; 300 workers.

Machinists 1125, San Diego, AND Consolidated Vultee Aircraft Corp.: 10c; Nov. 1950; 9,000 workers.

Metal Polishers 128, Bay Area, AND California Metal Trades Association: 6½c retro. to July 15, 1950 and 3½c additional Oct. 1950; 240 workers.

OTHER TRADES

Actors & Artists (Television Authority), nationwide, AND four major networks: 15 per cent to 30 per cent increase; Nov. 1950.

Fish Cannery Workers, San Diego, AND four tuna canneries: 5c retro. to July 1, 1950; 10c eff. Oct. 31, 1950; improved vacation; 4,000 workers.

Office Employees 3, San Francisco, AND union offices: \$3 per week and \$8.66 per month to health and welfare plan; Nov. 1950; 200 workers.

Optical Workers 18791, San Francisco, AND American Optical Co., Bay Area and Sacramento: \$4.50 per week in Bay Area, \$6.50 per week in Sacramento; Nov. 1950; about 75 workers.

Printing Specialties, Oakland and Los Angeles, AND Western Wax Co.: 5c; Nov. 6, 1950; about 100 workers.

Potters, Los Angeles, AND California Pottery Guild (part of nationwide agreement): 10c; Nov. 1950; 2,000 workers.

Sailors Union of the Pacific, San Francisco, AND steam schooner employers: 6.38 per cent; Oct. 1950; 300 workers.

School Custodians 258, Sacramento, AND Sacramento city schools: \$20 per month; Nov. 1950; 119 workers.

Cal. Bldg. Trades Back Reber Plan

"The Reber Plan would aid navigation, flood control, fresh water supply, and salinity control, benefit agriculture . . . and help promote military security."

So declared the 35th convention of the State Building and Construction Trades Council in San

State Federation Talks Plans for '51 Legislature

(State Fed. Release)

Legislative plans for the 1951 general session of the state legislature and full support of the Sailors Union of the Pacific in its jurisdictional clash with the independent longshoremen union featured the quarterly meeting of the California State Federation of Labor executive council held Dec. 9-10 in San Francisco.

C. J. Haggerty, executive officer of the state AFL, announced that some 120 bills would be introduced by the Federation in Sacramento.

Haggerty declared that 81 bills would seek increased benefits and extended coverage for unemployment insurance, disability insurance, and workmen's compensation. Eighteen bills will seek general changes in the Labor Code.

Highlighting the AFL measures will be efforts to obtain a \$40 maximum weekly benefit for unemployment and disability insurance and workmen's compensation; extension of present social security legislation to agricultural workers; creation of a Fair Employment Practices Commission, and a \$1.25 minimum wage.

The Federation will also prepare a state rent control bill for consideration by the legislature if adequate federal action is not taken.

The Federation legislative program is developed through convention action and is directed by C. J. Haggerty as legislative representative.

Federation President Thomas L. Pitts appointed the following legislative committee to work with Secretary Haggerty during the 1951 session: Arthur F. Dougherty, chairman; Harry Finks, Max J. Osslo and Pat Somerset.

Support of the Sailors Union of the Pacific position in its controversy with the independent longshoremen's union followed presentation of the SUP case by Harry Lundeborg, secretary-treasurer of the SUP and president of the Seafarers' International Union.

Lundeborg, a Federation vice president, declared that the work at issue was awarded to the Sailors Union of the Pacific by Samuel Gompers in 1907 when the question of working cargo in coastwise ships was placed before the American Federation of Labor for decision.

Thomas L. Pitts, newly elected Federation president, presided at the two-day session held in the Whitcomb Hotel.

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Francisco Dec. 7, 8, in a resolution unanimously adopted and forwarded to state officials and all California labor organizations.

Coming on the heels of disastrous floods and tides and at a time when civilian defense is shouting for adequate transbay evacuation routes and the underground shelters that could be built from Reber Plan excavations, the state council's action gave new impetus to the sorely-needed Bay development, which observers now see as an immediate possibility for state and federal action.

Most successful convention of the council's history, the San Francisco meeting of 300 trades delegates from all over California took action on many other matters of importance to their unions and the general public.

LAWRENCE RE-ELECTED

Frank Lawrence, a member of the Operating Engineers, was re-elected as state president.

A total of 56 new affiliations joined the council during the past year, local unions and councils and statewide councils of crafts. The convention considered 44 resolutions and heard interesting, informative reports from President Lawrence and Secretary Lee Lalor. The latter resigned and was replaced by Thomas G. Harvey of Sacramento.

Other resolutions adopted were: Asking Congress to take steps to protect the state workmen's compensation act from bankruptcy in event of an atomic bombing. Asking for elimination of prison labor on the Coachella Valley-Ocean Highway. Calling for a statewide health and welfare plan for the building trades. Calling for a state plan for settling jurisdictional disputes.

Engineers Local 3 presented a resolution requesting the council to introduce state legislation to bring agricultural land-leveling under the state unemployment insurance act, and it was adopted by the convention.

BIG PUSH COMING

"Full employment of the present labor force has been approached even though the defense industries have not begun to expand as has been planned, and the armed forces are a little more than half of anticipated mobilization," President Lawrence told the delegates.

"The main change will be in shift from housing to all types of non-residential construction. The expansion in the economy, generally, will not necessarily make itself felt in the same even proportions in the construction industry."

SAFETY IS STRESSED

He reported on the big gains in state council membership and on the progress made on industrial safety, adding "the sharp rise in industrial injuries reflects the rapid rise in employment this year, although it is regrettable to report that injuries have increased at a faster rate than employment."

He told of the council's success in getting a state safety plan on use of the explosive powered tools, the first such state plan in existence and a model for other states.

Legislation was formed to provide certification of welders along craft lines, such men to be able to work anywhere in the state without further examination, and this will be submitted to the legislature in the next session.

OTHER PROGRESS

Great progress toward elimination of prison labor has been made, Lawrence reported.

An attorney-general ruling on payment of travel time and subsistence pay by state departments was won, he reported.

Other progress on apprenticeship, contractors' licensing, and health plans was made, Lawrence said, and a number of local disputes were satisfactorily settled. In conclusion he voiced his gratitude for the statewide cooperation now being given to the council to the benefit of it and every affiliated organization.

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Proof rents are increasing even in cities under rent control comes from the Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS).

In Rock Island, Ill., there has been an average monthly increase of 62 per cent. Rents could go to 91 per cent should rent increases be granted.

In Davenport, Iowa, rents have risen 62 per cent and could go to 85 per cent if rent raises are granted. Moline, Ill., rents have swelled 26 per cent and could rise 91 per cent should rent increases be granted.

In Crown Point, Mich., net increases in rents are as high as \$80 a month. Some rents have jumped from \$100 a month to \$160.

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One-plant Pensions Will Stall Shift of Defense Workers

By DR. FRANCIS E. TOWNSEND

When a pension situation gets to the point that the actual military defense of the country is endangered, it is time to call a halt. Yet that is exactly what is happening, as reported in the Nov. 25 issue of Townsend National Weekly.

That story told how the existence of 13,000 private pension schemes, completely independent of each other, is making it almost impossible for the government to steer workers into certain industries producing critical war equipment.

You can't blame the workers. In many cases they are tied to plants where they have worked for 15 or 20 years. To leave would mean the sacrifice of pension benefits built up over the years. Why should a man leave a company which will give him a \$100-a-month pension in a few years to take a new job in a new plant where he will have to start all over again so far as pension credits are concerned?

The government is finding out, almost too late, that private pensions tend to create a static economy which limits the freedom of the worker to labor where he pleases. In a time of national emergency, such as the present, this situation produces a very real threat to national safety.

We cannot, as a nation, tolerate this sort of thing. If the war crisis reaches the point that it becomes a matter of national survival, workers will be compelled to leave non-essential jobs and to take employment in war plants, pension or no pension. If this happens, millions of workers will lose private pensions they have been led to think they are going to get. It will be just another case of false promises that cannot be redeemed.

The solution is clear enough. We must clean up the expensive and inefficient pension hodge-podge which plagues us today. There just isn't any sense in operating 13,000 different pension schemes, which duplicate and overlap, and at the same time leave unprotected millions and millions of ordinary citizens.

As matters stand it is actually possible for one man to collect four or five pensions, while his aged neighbor is obliged to depend upon public charity. We do not want this kind of thing in a free and democratic America. But we have it. And we will be stuck with it unless Congress faces reality by adopting a national insurance system covering all the people as a matter of right.

The need for the Townsend Plan was never so urgent as it is today. Its enactment would abolish charity in all forms. It would guarantee regular, adequate pensions to all the people of this nation on a basis of complete equality. It would do away with the thousands of private schemes which bind workers to specific industries and specific localities.

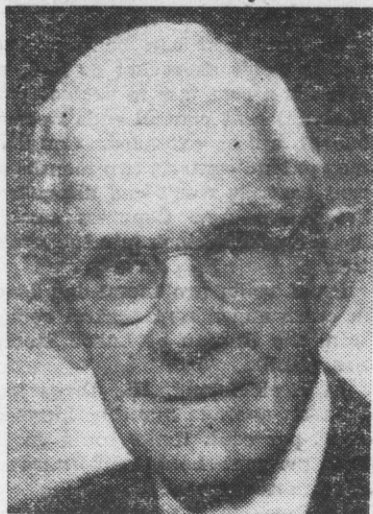
The Townsend Plan is a flexible plan. It would enable pensioners to live wherever they chose. It would pay equal amounts to all old and disabled persons regardless of the nature of their previous employment, or the amount of their earnings, or the number of jobs held during their working years.

That is the kind of a system we need here in America. We can no longer handle the multifold problems posed daily by the operation of the thousands of little plans. We need the Townsend Plan.

It is up to Congress. The 82nd Congress which will meet in January can demonstrate true statesmanship if it wants to. It can give the people a genuine pension system devoid of charity, and offering equal benefits to all.

"Why do you cry over the troubles of people in whom you have no interest, when you go to the theater?" her husband asked.

"I don't know. Why do you cheer wildly when a man with whom you are not acquainted slides into second base?" she replied.



DR. TOWNSEND

Anti-Commie Oath Slated By Wats. CLC

All delegates and officers of the Watsonville Central Labor Council will be asked to sign affidavits that they are not Communists, not Fascists and not Nazis, the council voted at last week's meeting, according to Secretary Hazel Shireman.

The council move was in line with another action which calls for all new delegates henceforth to be subjected to an investigation by a Credentials Committee, a policy long in effect by most AFL councils, Mrs. Shireman said.

Copies of the loyalty oath will be ready for council delegates and members at their next meeting, December 27, the secretary added.

Business by the council also included:

Donation of \$5 to the county tuberculosis association Christmas Seal fund.

Report by Labor Chairman John Malsbury that unions have contributed \$158 already to the March of Dimes campaign which doesn't get in full swing until after Christmas.

Obligation of Claudia Greer as new delegate from Laundry Workers Union 33.

Discussion with Joe St. Angelo in regard his abilities as a possible organizer for the proposed AFL Organizing Committee in the county. Union reports as follows:

Carpenters 771—One initiation, one clearance in, two clearances out, conditions good.

Culinary-Bartenders 345—Members volunteering services for American Legion dinner for soldiers, Dec. 21.

Butchers 506—Increase of \$4 per week plus welfare plan won for slaughterhouse workers and others.

Barbers 749—Election scheduled at next membership meeting.

Cannery Workers 679—Boycott launched against Ruso Canning Co. products; good success reported throughout country; dinner and dance for members to be held in Veterans Memorial Hall soon.

Electricians 526—One member transferred out; members erected Watsonville street lights for holiday season.

Laundry Workers 33—Christmas party held at last meeting, gifts exchanged.

Painters 750—Dinner scheduled December 22 at Appleton Hotel Coffee Shop; Peter Meldus delegate to convention.

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Medical Profession Abuses Bring Need For Health Program

Why is national health insurance necessary? You've heard lots of answers to that. The American Medical Association (AMA) pours millions of dollars into its lobby fund to give you answers—false ones.

The reason is simply this: The medical profession is not cleaning up its abuses. Whenever a powerful group touches the lives of thousands of people, it must provide an adequate service for them, or it will be done by a group who will.

In this way abuses in the sale of stocks led to the establishment of the Securities and Exchange Commission. And abuses by huge financial operators of subsidiaries led to the Holding Company Act.

The medical profession will have to be guided economically by a national health insurance program, so everyone can have adequate medical care.

The medical profession has the knowledge to cure most of the ills of every American. But only one out of every five persons is able to take full advantage of these benefits.

There are 40 million people living in communities without full-time health services. Thirty thousand more doctors are needed. There are only one-half the hospital beds that are needed. Forty per cent of the counties, with 15 million citizens, have no hospitals at all.

With national health insurance you would have needed X-rays immediately. Your financial situation wouldn't first be investigated. Your health would come first. There are about 325,000 people dying each year who could have been saved had they received prompt diagnosis of their ailments and proper treatment.

If you needed a doctor after midnight you wouldn't have to wait until morning to see one. National health insurance would mean available doctors at all times.

If you needed glasses, the optometrist wouldn't check first to see how many dollars you had in your pocket. Under national health insurance, you would receive them promptly.

Hospital costs may be \$20 a day for a serious illness or accident. Such costs can lead easily to a bill of \$1,000 or more. How many families can afford to pay this high cost of health?

With national health insurance, everyone would be covered to receive medical care. Those who couldn't be insured because of joblessness would be eligible for treatment through insurance payments made for them by a public agency.

The program would provide services to prevent disease as well as to diagnose and cure it.

Specialized treatments, eyeglasses and dental care would be equally available under the plan.

The AMA, while ignoring the glaring abuses of the medical profession, lamely tries to label national health insurance "Socialistic" or some other unpopular term in an effort to disguise its real purpose.

The only alternative the AMA gives is the insurance plans which are limited in coverage, meet only part of the costs and make no provision for preventive treatment.

N.Y. Dressmakers Get Raises for 85,000

New York (LPA)—This city's largest union group, the Dress Joint Board of the International Ladies' Garment Workers—AFL, has gained increases of 3 to \$5 a week for its 85,000 members.

Piece-work dressmakers will get a 6 1/2 per cent increase in take-home pay. They now average \$1.87 an hour and work a 35-hour week. Cutters, now paid a \$61 weekly minimum will get a \$5 weekly straight wage raise and a new minimum of \$67.

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BARBERS 986—Meets 3rd Wednesday at Bartenders Hall, 315 Alvarado St., at 8 p.m. Pres., L. L. Taylor, 610 Lighthouse, Pacific Grove; Sec., A. H. Thompson, 391 Prescott St., Monterey, phone 5-4745.

BARTENDERS 483—Meets at 3:15 Alvarado St., 1st Wednesday, 8:30 p.m., 3rd Wednesday 2:30 p.m. Pres., Bob Harrington; Sec. and Bus. Agt., Geo. L. Rice, P.O. Box 354, Carmel, phone 7-4149. Office, 315 Alvarado, phone 5-6734.

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TEACHERS (Monterey County) 457—Meets on call. Fin. Sec., Wayne Edwards, 823 Johnson Ave., Monterey, phone 2-3622.

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GENERAL TEAMSTERS, WAREHOUSEMEN & HELPERS 890—Meets 2nd Thursday, Carpenters Hall, 8 p.m. Pres., Ray Burditt, Sec., Peter A. Andrade, 274 E. Alisal St.; Bus. Agt., Glenn Wilkerson, Office, 778 Hawthorne St., Monterey, phone 2-0124.

WAR AND REALTY BOYS KEEP PUBLIC HOUSING PLANS AT STANDSTILL

The public housing program is having tough going. First came the real estate lobby. And then the Korean war.

"Result is that the future of low-cost housing under the once loudly-touted act is not bright," wrote Robert Allen in his Washington Column of November 19.

"Against heavy realty bombardment, the law got off to a slow start, and the war and soaring prices may bring it to a complete halt before long."

Allen reports that, although the law was passed in the summer of 1949, no public housing projects have been completed, only 11,000 units are under construction, a mere 82,000 units have been contracted for and 168,000 units have been approved.

When the law was approved the Administration hoped to build 810,000 public housing units by 1955.

"Until recent months, principal barrier was the violent opposition of realty interests," Allen added. "They fought housing projects tooth and nail—and won more victories than defeats."

"The real estate lobby is still battling tirelessly, potentially aided by another factor that has entered the picture."

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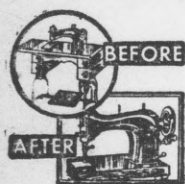
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Local 483
Reports

MONTEREY, CALIFORNIA

This is the first Report Column to be published in the Labor News for several months. The work involved in the recent contract negotiations, strike prosecution and eventual settlement agreement, and the participation of your secretary in the fall political campaign all were factors given consideration in the decision to temporarily discontinue the weekly report. All of these activities are now behind us, and many members have requested that the report again be submitted weekly to the Labor News for publication. Here it is!

International Representative C. T. McDonough visited Local 483 last week, at the request of your secretary and Executive Board, for the purpose of making an organizational survey. Brother McDonough will report his findings to International President Hugo Ernst, and Brother Ernst will then notify Local 483 of the wishes of the International Union regarding further organization of our jurisdiction.

Brother McDonough was most complimentary to the officers of Local 483 for the progress of the local since his last visit. He also asked your secretary to pass on to all of you his best wishes for a happy Holiday Season and for a successful and prosperous New Year for our local and for all of us.

The dispute between the Butchers' Union and several local meat markets was thoroughly aired at the last meeting of the Central Labor Council. The local markets involved, represented by the California Association of Employers' Robert Norton of Watsonville, have chosen to ignore the industry-wide contract which has been signed by the chain stores and the great majority of independent markets.

The dispute has all the earmarks of a power fight, rather than an honest effort to bargain collectively on the economic issues with a view to peaceful settlement. Our own experiences with the CAE and Norton have proven that honest collective bargaining is not the purpose of the organization. Rather, they are following their usual pattern of attempts at union-busting.

All the evidence proves that the Butchers' Union and its members deserve the full support and co-operation of every union man and woman of the Monterey Peninsula. Picket lines have been established at the Central Market in New Monterey and the Seaside Market in Seaside. Your officers of Local 483 urge you to respect these picket lines and to urge your friends and neighbors to also refuse their patronage to the struck stores.

Your secretary is still receiving some reports of employers who neglected to pay the overtime pay for Labor Day and Thanksgiving Day, both of which are recognized holidays under our contract. If you have not been paid overtime for work performed on these days, please notify the union office. During the next few weeks, Christmas Day and New Year's Day will also fall into the overtime pay class for all who work. A simple reminder to your employer that work on these days entitles you to overtime pay may save the union office and the members a troublesome time in making collection at a later date.

Many members report difficulty in getting their vacation time off or pay when it is due them. And very often some members will let it slide by for months and months before asking the union to make the collection for them. When your secretary contacts an employer to make a collection for vacation pay, overtime pay, or holiday pay after the member has "let it ride" for many months, the collection is usually more difficult to make, and the chances for improving good relations are lessened. As a matter of regular policy, your secretary urges all members to remind their employer that vacation, holiday, or overtime pay is due IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING RECEIPT OF THE FIRST PAY CHECK WHICH DOES NOT IN-

CLUDE THE PAYMENT IN QUESTION. If the employer neglects or refuses to make the payment on the following pay check, then NOTIFY THE UNION OFFICE AT ONCE—so that the collection can be made while all the dates and facts are still fresh in the minds of all parties concerned.

The hotel, restaurant and bar business on the Monterey Peninsula has slowed down considerably in most establishments this winter. While such a slowdown is reported in nearly every city, large or small, it is more serious in small communities, such as ours, because our volume of business is never as large as that experienced by establishments in the big cities. As workers in the culinary and bar industry, we can all help our employers to withstand this seasonal loss of business. We can help by making it our steady practice to please all of our customers and encourage their continued patronage to our place of employment.

There is no substitute for GOOD, FRIENDLY, COURTEOUS SERVICE—ALL OF THE TIME—just as there is no substitute for consistently good food or drink ALL OF THE TIME. That is OUR BUSINESS—so let's all try to prove to our customers—and to our employers—that we are always willing and ready to provide the BEST SERVICE—and the BEST COOKING AND MIXOLOGY—that is possible. By doing our very best to please the customer—ALL THE TIME—we insure his continued patronage—and insure, to the best of our ability, the continuance of our jobs. A FAIR DAY'S WORK—FOR A FAIR DAY'S PAY—is still a very good working creed for all of us.

All of us—President Harrington, Vice President Wayne Cantu, Recording Secretary Jackie Shaw, Chaplain Harry Wasson, Inspector Crystal Ross, Guard Helen Peak, Trustees Hallmark, Leitz, Rose and Nowell, and your secretary—all of us wish ALL OF YOU—a very Merry Christmas and a happy and prosperous New Year.

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Texas Building
Trades Hit by
Court Ruling

Austin, Tex., (LPA)—Labor took a beating in the Texas Supreme Court the other day that will affect all construction workers on state, city and local district projects.

In a decision involving pay rates on an overpass near El Paso, the court ruled that the State Highway Commission has "final" authority to determine "prevailing wages" on highway construction jobs. The decision sustained a district court opinion and overruled a finding by the Austin Court of Civil Appeals.

The El Paso Building and Construction Trades Council, AFL, contended it could appeal the Highway Commission's "prevailing wage" rulings to the courts. The Austin Court of Civil Appeals sustained the union argument, but District Judge J. Harris Gardner thought otherwise.

The Supreme Court supported Judge Garner in a decision written by Justice Meade F. Griffin. "There is good reason for making the decision of the highway commission final," said Judge Griffin, declaring that in 1933 the legislature redrafted the prevailing-wage statutes to make it declare specifically that the decision of a public body awarding a contract is final.

The El Paso unions pointed out that the wages on El Paso projects were 10 to 85 cents below the wages on other construction work in the area. They obtained an injunction last March to stop the Highway Commission from taking bids on the overpass. Other highway construction around El Paso was immediately postponed.

Paper Tells Doctors
To Correct Abuses

"... A timely warning of the medicos has come from one of their profession, Dr. Hamilton W. McKay of Charlotte, N. C. . . .

"Dr. McKay's advice is sound and sensible. This newspaper has opposed the Truman health insurance plan—but not without repeatedly urging the doctors themselves to take the lead in correcting conditions that prompt support for that plan."

That's what The Pittsburgh Press said about Dr. McKay's speech in an editorial published on November 18. The Pittsburgh Press, a Scripps-Howard paper, is about as liberal as The Chicago Tribune.

Union Wins on
4th Try in 11 Years

Aurora, Mo. (LPA) — On the fourth try in 11 years, the employees of the Missouri Farmers Association Milling Co. have been organized by the AFL Grain Millers. In an NLRB election the employees voted for the union, 68 to 46.

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Sciences Instructor.

A talkative busybody was visiting a State institution for the insane. "How do you manage to keep your patients so well behaved?" she asked one of the orderlies. "We control them pretty well," replied the husky. "Suppose one of these people gets out of control, then what do you do?" "Madam," he said, "I can take care of any trouble-maker in this institution." "Yes, yes," continued the lady, "but suppose two or three of the lunatics start a rumpus at the same time what do you do?" "Lady," he growled, "I can handle a dozen of these folks anytime." He looked as if he could. "But suppose the whole crowd organized and began an attack, what would you do?" "Lady, one more question and we will hold you for observation. If you had any sense you would know that nuts don't organize!"

The first sign of sanity is the recognition of the power of organization. Alone, no man or woman amounts to much. Five fingers are weak little instruments, but when you close them tightly you have a fist. And when you show a first you mean business. In unity there is strength and power. Sawdust is unorganized wood. A cop's club is organized sawdust. Sand is pulverized rock and rocks are organized sand. Or look at a broom for example. The business end of a broom is straw. What a miserable thing is a single straw. How frail, how brittle! But the broom maker sews together a thousand weak straws and attaches them to a handle, and lo, a miracle, a broom! With straws organized into a broom you can make the dust fly and the vermin scam.

It is a common argument heard in every trade, that "you can't organize the element in our industry." Every industry thinks it has the worst element. This is an illusion. You can organize most anything and anybody. For example, take mud, slimy, sticky,

Need for Strong Labor Press Told

Here's a footnote to the 1950 Ohio campaign from a letter of thanks sent to the labor press November 17 by Secretary-Treasurer Phil Hannah of the Ohio State Federation of Labor's Educational and Political League:

"The extent to which big business dominated the media through which public opinion is influenced and molded has never been made more clear than during this campaign.

"The need for establishing and expanding better publicity mediums for the purpose of off-setting the widespread propaganda activities of the powerful forces arrayed against organized labor is both very great and clearly apparent."

dirty mud—is there anything looser than that? And yet mud is just what brickmakers take out of a clay bank. They shape it and bake it, and presto, you have bricks. If anyone throws mud at you, oh well . . . But if bricks fly through the air you'd better duck! Now if we can organize mud why can't we organize the element in your industry?

Human beings are much different than wood, stone, straw or brick. Men and women are not bone, flesh and blood alone. They also possess spirit. When alone you are quite a different person than you are in a crowd. A crowd has a wonderful effect in transforming the individual. Just study your behavior when you are with a crowd. Aren't you the devil! Alone you are a timid soul. In a union we have all our shop mates with us. In our local union there are hundreds of workers of other shops banded together with us. In our international union thousands upon thousands of workers like us, in many cities and states, are part of our great family. Our combined resources give us strength. Our solidarity gives us hope and inspiration to fight for our rights and the assurance that we can and must win.

ALONE, YOU'RE WEAK

Every intelligent person knows that modern progress depends on organization. Groups of people must deal with other groups. A group has little respect for an individual. An individual stands little chance against a group. Individuals can bargain with one another only if they face each other on a basis of equality. One employer may bargain with another employer. One worker may trade with another worker. But no worker can bargain fairly with an employer, much less a corporation. Workers must collectively face their employers. The bargain must be clinched for every worker in the plant to insure protection for one and protection for all.

You want better wages, shorter hours and some security on the job. A fellow that wants something is much more alive than the one who takes what he can get. But you can't get what you want alone. You have so much more chance of getting it and securing it when you help other men to get the same. The ILGWU has a fine poster showing a luscious bunch of ripe yellow bananas and over the picture is the slogan, "Stick to the Bunch or you will get Skinned!"

The greatest drawback to getting workers into a union is their lack of confidence in themselves, their fears and their ignorance of their own power.

Remember—Kick and you'll get somewhere. Don't kick and you will be kicked somewhere. Ask for something, fight for something, and you must gain, even if its only your self-respect. Ask for nothing and you will get it in double portions.

Warning Sign—If you see a ball rolling into the street ahead of your car, slow down immediately and be prepared for a quick stop, cautions the California State Automobile Association. A running child in pursuit of the ball may dash in front of your car.

AMA Keeps Youths From MD Training By Opposing Aid

"Are we to haul down our flag and permit the American Medical Association (AMA) and the other reactionary interests of this country to continue to utilize the present international crisis as a smoke screen for their selfish policy of scarcity in medical personnel?"

That important question was asked by Federal Security Administrator Oscar Ewing in a speech at a meeting of the Harlem Interracial Platform on November 26 in New York City.

"The time has come to remind the doctor-politicians of their Hippocratic oath—which binds them, morally at least, to teach the Art of Medicine to all who desire to learn it.

"Those who would limit medical education in this time of scarcity are honoring their ancient and honored oath in the breach rather than the observance."

For two years the AMA has opposed legislation being backed by the AFL and other liberal groups to give medical schools some money from the Federal Treasury so they could train more doctors.

—(LLPE).

You'll Get Yours!

In Schenectady, N. Y., a General Electric Company official, F. W. McChesney, predicted that the present boom would continue and that electrical manufacturers "will be working to that the little fellow receives his share of the prosperity." The prediction came just two months after 50,000 GE workers were forced to go on strike for two weeks to get just a small share of the prosperity that GE has enjoyed.

Sign on a laundry: "Don't kill your wife—let us do your dirty work."

85,000 Pheasants

San Francisco.—In a 10-month period before the opening of the recent pheasant hunting season, a total of 85,758 Chinese pheasants was released throughout California by employees of the Division of Fish and Game.

The birds were raised on 14 state game farms and more than 100 holding pens operated by cooperating sportsmen's groups.

Bust Up Strikes

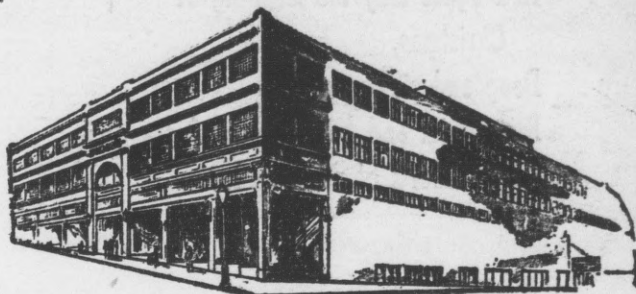
In Madrid, Spain, Dictator Franco handed American labor leaders one of the best arguments they could wish for in opposing US economic help for Spain. Franco wangled a large private loan in the US, and his first action was to double the pay of his army, which is used to suppress strikes of workers seeking pay raises to meet soaring living costs.

False-Face Ads In 'Smear Campaign' Hit by Co-ops

St. Paul, Minn. (LPA)—News-papers and radio stations using paid material attacking co-ops should insist that firms paying for the material use their names, the Minnesota Association of Cooperatives has urged. "Local merchants should not be permitted to hide behind the NTEA in Chicago," said Harry Peterson, MAC secretary.

The NTEA is the National Tax Equality Association, whose mission in life is to fight cooperatives. In Utah, investigations of radio spot announcements against co-ops showed they were not paid for by local merchants, but with a single check from NTEA headquarters. However, the sponsor was not revealed over the air, according to the Utah Cooperator.

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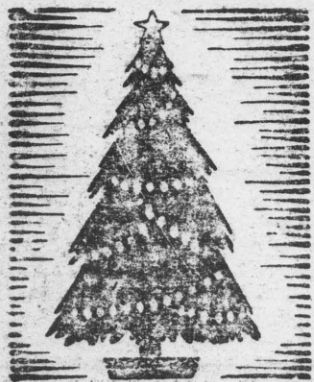
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See Catastrophe in Doctor Shortage

Chicago (LPA).—Collier's magazine, never known as a
friend of the Truman Administration, assails the American
Medical Association in its issue of Dec. 16.

In an editor's box with an article on "Our Alarming Doc-
tor Shortage," Collier's comes out for federal aid to medical
education. "The Senate has already passed a bill which would
provide money to end the doctor
shortage," says Collier's. "If the
AMA continues its fight in the new
Congress, we trust that the law-
makers will have the courage to
enact the measure anyway in the
interest of urgent necessity."

(The bill referred to provides
\$250,000,000. The AMA announced
December 7 that it was donating
\$500,000 to the nation's 79 ac-
credited medical schools, with the
hope that others would make much
larger gifts. A bill similar to the
Senate bill has been bottled up in
the House Commerce Committee.
Rep. Andrew J. Biemiller (D.,
Wis.) sponsor of the bill, comment-
ed that the AMA's \$500,000 dona-
tion was a "Trojan gift" intended
to obscure the "selfish motives" of
AMA. He said the AMA donation
would bring merely "fatal inde-
cision and inaction." Noting that
the AMA has been alone in its
opposition to such legislation, he
said "It has claimed time and
again that the financial crisis in
our medical schools could be met
with private aid. Yet all efforts to
obtain such aid have failed. A
\$500,000 contribution does not
change the situation in the
slightest.")

Collier's editors declare that the
doctor shortage is "a serious na-
tional problem, that, in another
all-out war, could become a na-
tional catastrophe." The editors
point out that federal aid to med-
ical education "is not socialized

medicine." They add that "as long
as the danger of general war and
atomic attack against our civilian
population exists, the argument
that federal aid may lead to fed-
eral control of medical education is
academic, to say the least."

Contractor Jailed For Violating Wage-Hour Law

New York (LPA).—Philip Elge-
zer has started serving a six-month
term for violating the federal
wage-hour law. He is the first de-
fendant in New York state to go to
jail for such an offense.

He was sentenced on pleading
guilty to criminal contempt of
court, and was ordered to pay
\$542.53 in back pay and interest
to 5 of his 16 women employees.
He failed to comply with an in-
junction issued in 1942 ordering
him to pay the then legal minimum
wage of 40 cents, pay overtime,
and stop falsifying his records. He
was then forced to pay \$214 in
back wages. A second inspection
in 1949 revealed he was still defy-
ing the law, hiring young girls and
elderly women, some over 70, and
paying them as little as 20 cents
an hour. He runs the only dress
factory in Petersburg, a commu-
nity of 900 in Rensselaer County.

A fit of laughter which has been
indulged to excess almost always
produces a violent reaction.—Plato,

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Investments in Human Resources

(Editor's Note: "Socialism" and "welfare state" are words that the American people are hearing oftener and oftener. Reactionaries maintain that social legislation is bankrupting the nation and sapping the vitality of the people, while the more left wing elements work for the day when the government will be all things to all people. Who is right? The answer is "neither." There is a vast middle ground within which the nation can work out a sound and stable future. The following excerpts from a recent speech by Mr. Thurston outline the problem.)

By JOHN L. THURSTON
Federal Security Agency
(In "The Carpenter")

Not so very long ago, it used to be generally accepted that public expenditures were "nonproductive." Farmers and manufacturers and laborers produced the food, clothing, and shelter for mankind. Professional people produced the services. These were said to be "productive." Money put into farms, factories, transportation and communication, office buildings and the like—that was "productive" investment. But money put into paying for teachers, judges, policemen, legislators, and prisons—that was another story. Public expenditures didn't "produce" anything, it was argued. Public expenditures were merely that much taken out of what the economy produced. Everybody was poorer by the measure of every dime that went into the public coffers. That was a fairly common assumption fifty years ago—and there may be a few alive today who hold that view.

According to this philosophy, the "best" public expenditure was the smallest that could possibly be made. Prisons were good enough if they prevented the escape of criminals. Mental hospitals were to keep patients out of harm's way, and from harming others—at the least possible money cost. School teachers should be paid the minimum going-rate, with no frills and faddishness added: no foolishness like manual training and domestic science and art and music and citizenship.

This negative philosophy even extended to industry. What was the point in putting safety guards on machinery, merely to prevent accidents? The point was to get goods produced in largest quantities with minimum cost. To set safety standards by legislation, and then to establish a corps of government inspectors to swarm through the factories to enforce those laws, was held to be one more example of nonproductive government expenditure.

Now experience has long since demonstrated the fallacy of the negative notion of government expenditure—to most of us, at least. In the field of industrial safety, for example, industry itself has learned the lesson so well that it pretty generally tends to keep well ahead of the minimum standards established by legislation. Recently the National Association of Manufacturers asked about 2000 plant operators what their savings were, due to the establishing of medical and safety departments. Practically all of them reported that these projects were paying off handsomely. Here are the average reductions they reported:

In occupational disease.....	62.8%
In absenteeism	29.7%
In compensation costs	28.8%
In labor turn-over	27.3%

As this lesson has become clearer with the passing of the years, resistance to wise government expenditure in program of industrial health and safety has disappeared. Instead, we find today that there is the closest working cooperation between government and the general public, including management and labor, in pushing programs of health and safety in industry. All have learned that it pays off... handsomely.

Much the same thing is true in other areas. Enlightened people no longer think of prisons just as places to lock up criminals at minimum expense. Though we still have a long way to go, we really believe that they should be what the newer name says—"institutions of correction." And our thinking today goes even beyond correction

—our current concern with "juvenile delinquency" puts the accent on prevention. Experience has proved that the supervised playground turns out better citizens than the alley gang.

Education is one of the crowning examples of the passing of the negative notion of public expenditure. A century ago, as the idea of universal free compulsory schooling was battling to win its way, there were those who condemned the whole notion as socialistic and dangerous. "What!" they cried, "Would you tax one man to pay for the education of another man's child?" But a century of the common school in America has demonstrated its value so conclusively that no responsible voice attacks the basic idea that it is wise to put public moneys into public schools for all the children. It pays off, in better citizens, better producers, finer people. It pays off, too, in dollars and cents, as any comparison of the man-hour productive efficiency of an educated labor force with an uneducated labor force shows.

These examples only begin to suggest the reason why most of us have cast aside the ancient error that Government expenditures are parasitic and unnecessary. All I have said up to this point is that we are no longer confronted with the erroneous assumption that public expenditures are "unproductive." We now know that they are productive.

I must also dissociate myself from a second error which occasionally appears in private and public discussions. Once in a while one meets some starry-eyed persons who see the truth that public expenditures pay off, and who go on from there to indulge in wild and speculative schemes of dangerous proportions. They are like the housewife who listened to a fast-talking salesman's claim that the gadget he was peddling would cut her housework in half. "Oh!" she said, brightly, "than I'll take two of them and cut out all my housework!" Just because public investment in human resources pays off, it does not follow that a limitless multiplication of that expenditure will be desirable for the individual, or will be in the national interest.

We must disavow this extreme just as clearly as we deny the assumption that public expenditure for human welfare is unproductive. We shall do well to recognize that public investment, like any other investment, must be wisely made and guided by the rules of reason. This is a hard-boiled, realistic approach to the problem of human welfare. It supports all the finer ideals of humanity—and it keeps its feet on the ground as it moves forward.

With that perspective, let's turn the question of what public investments in human resources actually cost—and why pay for them. Do we put more into them than we get out of them? Do public investments represent a total waste, or a partial waste, or a net gain? What is the balance sheet?

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that much depends on what sort of public investment we are talking about, and the degree of adequacy of that investment in the light of the need it tries to meet.

If a man's roof is leaking, it will pay him to invest in more pots and pans to put in the attic to catch the drip. That saves the plaster and paint in the floors below. Even the minimum sort of public expenditure in picking up the pieces of wreckage left by the

processes of history has a monetary justification of a sort. Property values are higher and people rest more securely when everyone feels that the police system is doing an adequate job in restraining crimes of violence. The general economy has greater stability and continuing purchasing power when there is adequate unemployment insurance and when social security for the aged maintains the purchasing power of the older segment of the population. A sick man who gets well quickly is a better producer than one whose absenteeism is high because of recurrent illness.

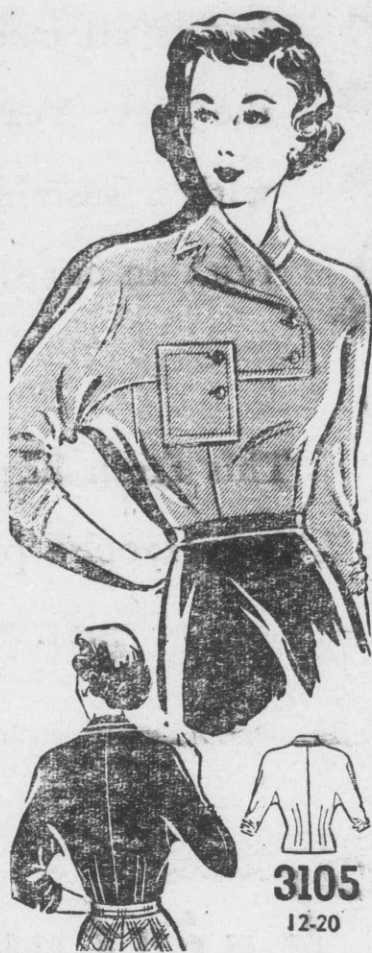
But any wise householder knows that it is better to fix the roof than to run around the attic with pots and pans every time a shower comes. Whether he will put on a slate roof or use shakes or shingles or asphalt-and-gravel will depend on a lot of factors of judgment and pocketbook. But he knows that a tight roof is better than a leaky one, that a tight roof pays off.

From year to year he cannot point to exact financial returns on a good roof; but he can know that he has not had to plaster the back bedroom after every spring rain.

So it is with these investments in human resources. Certainly we shall never see the time when there will be no leaks in the roof, when we shall never need to spend something to help the afflicted and the unfortunate. But we also know that the wisest expenditure is that which reduces to the minimum the number of pots and pans we have to keep in the attic of the nation, a policy which keeps the roof as tight as possible.

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A DOCTOR CONDEMNS HIS FELLOWS

(LLPE Release)

"The doctor who has a license to practice medicine and joins a county medical society is usually fixed for life.

"Unless he is convicted by a court of some criminal offense, he can continue to enjoy the rights and privileges of responsible doctors even though he, himself, practices overcharging, neglect of patients and non-support of organized medicine."

That's a doctor talking. Those comments are from a speech by Dr. Hamilton W. McKay, of Charlotte, N. C., to the annual meeting of the Southern Medical Association on Nov. 14 in St. Louis.

Dr. McKay was president of the Southern Medical Association, the nation's second biggest medical group, during the past year. Only the American Medical Association (AMA) itself is larger.

"If the people cannot convince themselves that organized medicine is taking vigorous steps to correct its own shortcomings, they will insist that the initiative for action be transferred to other hands," Dr. McKay went on to say.

"He (the doctor) simply does not know that it isn't enough to do a good scientific job; he is a bungling novice in the art of human relations with his patients, who are, after all, his greatest assets and medicine's stock in trade."

"Our competence is being weighed against the American standard of competence in other professions. Our charges are being weighed against the budgetary demands of other services which are essential to life in America."

Labor Will Have Big Job in 1952

The Binghamton, N. Y., Labor Herald reminds trade unionists that it's not too early to start getting ready for the 1952 elections.

Commenting on the 1950 elections, the Labor Herald says:

"The picture now is this: Labor held its losses to a minimum under unusually tough conditions. Congress was unfavorable before the election—now it's a shade more unfavorable.

"We can expect new attacks on labor's gains in the 82nd Congress. We will have to brace ourselves for a hard pull, waiting until the 1952 balloting and the normal liberal shift. Then, perhaps, it will be our turn."

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By POLLY EDISON for L.L.P.E.

TOPIC A

These days everyone seems to be bounding off about us women. What to do for and about us threatens to become TOPIC A.

Among the advice we liked best is what the Dean of Women at Columbia University had to say. When we're downhearted, she recommends we remember Mother Eve. "She worked hard, worried about her family, and founded the human race. All this, for an orphan without psychologists to adjust her, is pretty good going and we'd better set out after her."

HIGH LEVEL

In Utah's Second District, two women ran against one another for Congress. The outstanding feature of their battle was the high level in which they fought it out. They stuck to the issues, did not indulge in personalities. Conceding her defeat, Mrs. Ivy Priest, the Republican candidate, congratulated her victorious opponent, Democrat Reva Beck Bosone, for conducting a "clean campaign."

Here's another record to point to with pride.

MORE PRAISE

A chairman of one of the large railroads complimented his women employees for their graciousness, poise and dignity. It was their viewpoints, he pointed out, that were responsible for many of the new features in today's modern trains.

A LONG WAY

And Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt, who believes in us, says we've come a long way. As proof, she refers to the position of women in the UN as advisers, heads of commissions and delegates. "They have graduated," she says, "from exclusion from business and the professions to almost complete acceptance and equality and are now generally treated as virtually on a par with men in the political world at home and abroad."

PEACE AND PROGRESS

In two recent speeches by public officials, we found much food for thought. Associate Justice William O. Douglas of the Supreme Court urged us to invest in international progress, not only money, but also sympathy and understanding. "Millions of the peoples of the earth," he said, "are trying to do today for themselves and their children what our forefathers did for us in 1776. Their revolutions need management and direction. It will be shameful if when the history of the period is written, America is credited with suppressing these struggles."

General Omar Bradley, chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, had this to say about our future: "Today we would trade all military power for a century of peace. But no easy trades are on the open market. We must earn the world's righteousness we seek and the peace we so earnestly desire. Evidently our labors have just begun."

Seems to us there's a meeting of minds here. If we help the little people everywhere to a better life, we are well on the way to the world's righteousness. General Bradley wisely advises us to seek.

GOATS AT LARGE

Last August, when the UN counter attack in Korea occupied everyone's attention, Congress took up a bill to regulate the "running at large of goats" in the District of Columbia. This may sound absurd, but it happens all the time, because Congress has to run the city of Washington. Last year the House District Committee spent 3000 hours on District management.

But this waste of valuable time need not continue. A Home Rule

bill will come up again next session; last year it passed the Senate and was held up in the District House Committee. Be sure your Congressman supports this time-saving measure.

A FAIR CHANCE

How can we give every boy and girl a fair chance? Why do some of them grow up into mischief makers, outcasts, or shy, hostile people?

The White House Conference on Children and Youth, meeting this month, will attempt to answer these important questions. Experts on child care from all over the country worked out plans and programs to be discussed. And thousands of local groups in every state prepared recommendations; most of them urged increased health, school, recreation and housing facilities, plus help for low-income groups.

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Mary loved John, but she worried about the way he squandered money when they went out together. Finally she consulted her mother.

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Said her mother with a sigh: "Marry him."

Trash in TV is Hit By Labor

Washington (LPA)—"This new and powerful medium should be handed over entirely to the advertising industry for exploitation as a sales medium."

So declared George Meany, secretary-treasurer of the American Federation of Labor before the Federal Communications Commission. He spoke in support of the plea of educators that a specific percentage of television channels should be reserved for the exclusive use of education. "We want our children to learn something more from television than singing commercials," Meany said.

"The government owes a greater obligation to the American people," he continued. "It should protect the nation's children and its grown-ups from the over-commercialization to which they are now subjected."

A BIG DECISION

Declaring that existing television stations have failed to provide a forum for various points of view on national problems, Meany told the FCC, "the home life of countless American families and the educational opportunities of generations to come will be affected by your decision now."

Meany noted that American workers have always been strong supporters of education, recognizing that "an intelligent citizenry must be an informed citizenry." He pointed out that, "it was the working men and women of this country who led the fight for the establishment of the free public school system." He noted that labor led the fight for public high schools, and today is just as interested in colleges, universities and extension services.

RADIO HAS FAILED

Through development of radio and television, he noted, possibilities for educational services and information for the millions have been tremendously expanded but "the use of television for general educational and community programs has been rather limited," and "the history of the last 25 years has shown that radio has not played the great role educationally that was expected of it."

"Progressive American labor," Meany continued, "believes that higher wages and better working conditions, vital as they are, are not the sole concern of labor, nor the sole responsibility that industry

bears to its employees. Unions, as well as management, believes that education is vital to the worker. A better educated worker is a more productive worker. He learns more in a shorter time, performs his tasks better and fulfills a wider role in the general community."

Noting that "we continue to be poorly informed on many vital problems," Meany said, "the best way to guard against this is to give every possible assurance that the avenues of communication are made available to all groups in society. The interests of labor and the interests of the broader community are for the most part identical. It is essential in these days and in the days ahead that our common interests should be emphasized and the basis of our differences be understood."

From a report of a council meeting in Ottawa, Ill., Daily Republican-Times: "Moved by Commissioner Doherty that the report of E. T. Burke, Fire Chief, be approved and placed on fire."

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What Featherbedding?

Last year the British government sent to the United States a 17-man team of building trades workers to study American construction methods and techniques with the hope that these experts could bring back to England new ideas for upping production in the English building trades. For many weeks this British team toured the United States. It watched American craftsmen plying their trades in many sections and under all varieties of conditions. They returned home to make their report.

A few weeks ago that report was released. What the report disclosed ought to be of interest to building trades workers on both sides of the ocean. The whole team unanimously agreed that American construction workers produce fifty per cent more on the average than do their English brothers. American newspapers all but ignored the report. Naturally, because for the past five years the U.S. papers have been raving and ranting about the terrific amount of "featherbedding" unions have introduced into American industry. Had the report indicated that U. S. workers were less efficient than their British brothers, most papers would have carried banner headlines on page one. However, since

the report showed the reverse to be true by a very wide margin, the whole thing was ignored.

On the other hand, English newspapers gave the report a substantial amount of publicity. The tremendous productive capacity of the average American building tradesman evoked both admiration and envy from the British press. It was unanimously agreed by the study commission that production in the U. S. construction industry is at least fifty per cent higher than it is in England. Still U. S. papers continue printing tripe about restrictive procedures supposedly being foisted on the U. S. construction industry by building trades unions. Hardly a week goes by but what one can read scare stories about bricklayers being limited by union rules to 300 or 400 bricks a day or painters being limited to small brushes or carpenters being limited to this or that maximum. Repeated denials by international unions have gone for naught. All the practical proof produced by unions has been unavailing. The papers still try to sell the impression that featherbedding is widespread and that the low productivity of union workers because of featherbedding rules, is the chief reason for today's high building costs.

The report of the British commission gives the lie to such propaganda very effectively and conclusively. What the report discloses is that American building tradesmen WORK HARDER than their British cousins. Pretty much the same tools are available to workers in both countries. Building materials are virtually the same. In fact in practically all matters American and British workers face almost identical conditions. Yet American workers produce at least fifty per cent more per day than do their fellow craftsmen in England. If there is featherbedding or union-imposed production limitations in American industry, how could this be? The answer is that it couldn't be. Featherbedding is a figment of the imagination of editorial writers who are more interested in getting in a slap at labor than in getting absolute truth into their writings.

Virtually every newspaper in England gave the building trades commission report a big play. While U. S. papers prattle about featherbedding, British papers stand in awe at the productiveness of American building trades labor.

If television makes home lessons impossible, the lessons must be brought to television. Thus in physiology the winning wrestler might remark, "The cracking sound you hear is this fellow's clavicle."

—Sen. Soaper in the Chicago News

Exploitation of Your WorkBy AUGUST CLAESSENS
ILGWU and Rand School of Social Sciences Instructor

Some people say that employers "rob" their employees, and that the present industrial system is a highly organized "hold-up." There is some truth in this argument. What is untrue is that the term "rob," "steal," and "hold-up" imply conscious and deliberate wrongdoing, wilful and malicious outrage. Now, you don't want to call your boss a crook, a robber, or a thief. Sometimes he is all that and some more.

Generally, however, you know he is the victim of circumstances, a cog in a badly managed competitive system. He drives you, but he is also driven by his competitors. He wants to make a living. His wife and family expect much from him. Being a boss, he feels that he is entitled to a better living than his workers. He can't make this kind of living by working for a boss and being exploited, so he goes into business to exploit others.

The dictionary defines "exploitation" as "making use of anything or anybody for one's own profit." This is not exactly robbery. Just what it is may be seen in the following illustration.

A boss goes into business. The first thing he must have (besides gall) is capital. As capital means money, he must have or get money. Usually he begins with some of his own. Then he cleans out his relatives and his wife's relatives and borrows from friends and foe. As he deposits this in the bank, he has collateral for loans and credit for business. Of course, he doesn't get loans for nothing. He must pay interest to the bank and maybe to the relatives. With this money or capital he makes nothing. Money doesn't make money, and the interest charges soon make it grow less. The boss must get busy to put this money to work. But as money doesn't work, it must work (exploit) others.

STILL NO PROFIT

Next he rents a loft. The landlord, another exploiter, makes him sign a lease and put up a deposit for advance rent. Ouch! Another piece bitten out of the capital and still no profit made! Money doesn't make money and a loft doesn't make money. Both by themselves are a losing proposition. Our friend must get machinery. He must buy or rent machinery. In either case, there goes some more of his capital.

Now, machinery doesn't operate automatically; the loft doesn't produce, and the money borrowed sweats interest. He is in business, but he is losing money. And so he must buy material or find a jobber to give him material with which to work.

However, the material doesn't finish itself, the machines don't move, the loft collects dust, and the banker collects interest.

Nothing doing yet. No money made. The boss hasn't exploited anybody yet but others are exploiting him.

Now he gets hysterical, and he cries, "Help! Help! Help! Wanted!" By newspaper ads, signs on the building, or calls to the union, he "tells the world" he wants help!

Help? Yes, that means workers. And as they settle down at the machines and help turn out the finished product, the possibility of making money is in sight. "Help" produces the product, uses the machines and the loft, and makes possible the payment of interest. Labor alone does not produce wealth but it is the most important factor in wealth production.

As we have said, money produces nothing. A loft is only a vacant spot; machinery standing still rusts and material deteriorates; but when labor is hired, it brings the magic touch that puts life into all this dead stock.

ALL PROFIT FROM LABOR

And labor's reward? When the finished product is sold, labor receives wages out of the value created. (We insist on our wages even before the product is sold because we have created values.)

That isn't all. Out of the values produced by labor the banker gets his interest, the landlord his rent and the boss his profit. Labor supplies them all. No, this isn't robbery.

This is exploitation.

Some day exploitation will be abolished, but until that some day, the only power that can curb, check or control the degree of exploitation is the union. The union organizes the supply of help and unless decent terms are agreed upon between the help and the boss, the union will call out the help. That leaves the boss helpless!

That isn't a nice thing to do, but what else can we do?

The Important Third of Life

By CLINT BUSH

(The author of this article is chairman of the Illinois State Legislative Board of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen and Enginemen, a union which, although not affiliated, is sympathetic to the A.F. of L.)

While we are very young, the treat our parents promised for tomorrow seems a very long time off. When we are old enough to go to school, we wonder if Saturday will ever come. It is seven whole days from one Saturday to the next. How long it seems from one Christmas to another—a whole year, 365 days, forever!

Then we begin to complain. Two more years before I graduate from grammar school, four more years until I graduate from high school. They want me to go to college, too. Won't I ever grow up? Why, my life will be over before I even get out of school.

We rush madly to our status of being grown up and then, one day, our parents and teachers and the world, who seemed to us very slow about doing so, finally admit that we have reached our goal and, because of the way in which we have come to behave, are willing to accept us as adults.

It is then felt that we no longer have to run madly to reach our destination because now we have already attained it. We can pause, catch our breath and look back. And what do we discover? Those endless years, which seemed to be consuming all our lives, have actually taken only a small portion. If we consider ourselves to be completely adult at 21 (and some of us behave as adults earlier and some later) and subtract this from our life expectancy of about 65, we discover that we still have two-thirds of our lives to live—one-third of life to prepare for two-thirds of it.

Suddenly we begin to wonder just how well prepared to live we really are and remember that we were always told we would be the ones who would have to make tomorrow's world; we would be the ones who would have to assume the responsibility of the community and build the future homes.

We never quite believed—but now we know it is true. We thought it would be all fun and freedom as an adult. Then, more or less suddenly, we discover that the fun adulthood has to offer is the fun trying to create a better world, that freedom is the freedom to make our own responsible choices. We discover, too, that it is different from what we thought it would be—and better.

We begin to wish we had been more earnest during the first one-third of our lives. Realization arrives that it was our only chance to acquire the necessary tools for an abundant life. We worry then that we may have spoiled our chances.

Young people of today are fortunate. They still have a portion of the first one-third of their lives left, some a larger, some a smaller portion, but all with opportunities unavailable to their predecessors.

Perhaps they will grasp what remains for them and make it count. We pray God that it be so.

Nolle: How did you get out of admitting that your father was electrocuted?

Prose: I said he occupied the chair of applied electricity at one of our public institutions.

The Man Who Never Forgot

"Lord, strike me dead—my wife, my kids want bread and I've no work to do." This was the cry of starving London workers in 1856 when machines robbed them of their jobs. A little boy heard this cry, and he never forgot it. The boy was Samuel Gompers.

This year marks the one-hundredth anniversary of Gompers' birth. Everywhere people are remembering the man who devoted his lifetime to preaching the dignity of labor, the workers' right to decent wages and fair working conditions.

"FRISKED" BY THE BOSS

Only six years old when the poverty and helplessness of his London neighbors impressed him, Sam Gompers became a worker himself at the age of ten. Starting young was a necessary custom of the day, and the boy chose cigarmaking.

He earned 12 cents a week, making cigars from daylight to long after sundown. With all the shopworkers, he was frisked nightly by a boss who wanted to be sure nobody walked home carrying off a single cigar!

In the workshop he learned of America and joined in singing songs of freedom from the new nation, then ridding itself of slavery in a civil war. His union set up a fund to help jobless members reach the States.

When Sam was 13 his family moved to New York City, settling in the poor immigrant section. Among the cigarmakers he found others who believed their only salvation lay in organizing themselves to correct by mass demand the life of want and insecurity, then the lot of all working people.

For years the few unions which formed were powerless. The early idea of unionism to most members was to call a strike whenever dissatisfied and walk off the job. They simply lost their jobs—and their officers were blacklisted in all shops.

They all knew unions had to be strong in number. Only a few, like Sam Gompers, the cigarmakers' president, realized unions would have to bargain with employers in an orderly way if anything were to be accomplished. Sporadic strikes bore no fruit and only won for them the right to starve on the streets. Mass meetings of the workers were often broken up by a club-wielding policeman. Radicals attached themselves to unions, giving them a "bad name" with the public.

Despite trouble, within and without, the labor movement gained numerical strength and public favor. Sam Gompers was its acknowledged leader. When a great portion of the workers united in one organization, the AFL, he was elected president.

Though the salary as AFL head (\$1,000) was less than Gompers was making in his trade, he accepted the challenge to unite all workers. Setting up office in a shed next to his Cigarmakers' headquarters, he spoke wherever and whenever he was invited, often spending his own meager funds to get there.

Everywhere he encouraged working people to form unions. When there were several groups in the same craft, he gave them an AFL charter as an International union. With a rich and powerful voice he told the worker's story, believing that if only it were understood, it would be supported by all.

He championed labor's rights in Congress, too, winning such things as equal rights for women workers and the prohibition of child labor. When management claimed the Sherman Anti-Trust Law applied to labor and the courts issued injunctions to straight-jacket workers, Gompers proclaimed to the world that no one could have a monopoly on labor because it was not a "commodity," for "you cannot weigh a human soul on the same scales as a piece of pork!" And the law was changed.

Having led the nation's workers through War I, he was sent by President Wilson to the Versailles

Some Businessmen Are Mighty Foolish

American businessmen, said to be very astute people usually where profit is involved, are largely ignoring the possibilities of developing their private "gold mine" of union-management cooperation, President William Green of the American Federation of Labor writes in Mill and Factory magazine.

In an article entitled "How Labor Can Help Management Improve Production," Mr. Green points out that business is losing enormous potential benefits and profits that could come from employers' substituting union-management teamwork for blind and unreasoning resistance to unions.

The president of the A.F. of L. cites specific case histories of union-management cooperation to show how unions can and do help decent business firms to improve production, maintain industrial peace, advertise their products and increase sales.

"By offering unions a working partnership, which would not invade or transgress upon the prerogatives of management," Mr. Green writes, "private enterprise can convert its strongest potential enemy into its most potent ally."

In the concluding paragraphs of the article, the A.F. of L. leader sets forth the steps by which such an objective can be achieved. Mr. Green writes:

"Once management comes to the practical conclusion that it is better for industry to work with the unions, freely chosen by the workers, than to fight against them, the following procedure becomes possible:

"1—Full acceptance of free collective bargaining by management and unions on all matters at issue.

"2—Full recognition of the union by management, including whatever form of union security is permissible, with reciprocal recognition by the union of the rights of management.

"3—A joint determination by both sides to promote teamwork for mutual advantage and public interest.

"4—Negotiation of a contract providing: (a) equitable standards for the workers; (b) union security; (c) management security by the inclusion of machinery to adjust grievances peaceably, a no-strike clause during the life of the contract and, if possible, provision for voluntary arbitration of any disputes that cannot be settled directly by the parties to the contract; (d) a union-management committee to promote teamwork in improving production, with the explicit assurance that workers will receive an equitable share of the rewards resulting from these joint efforts.

"Basically, that's all there is to it. Because of human frailties no formula depending upon human behavior can be perfect. But given a good start, with real goodwill and sincerity on both sides, the steps I have listed can and will lead to lasting labor-management peace and produce dividends in high employee morale, sustained production, more efficient plant operation and, in the long run, astonishing rewards to both workers and management resulting from the gold mine of teamwork."

peace conference. Gompers formed an international labor group (the ILO, which still exists) to raise the living standards of workers the world over. Later he founded and headed the Pan-American Federation of Labor.

Samuel Gompers lived to see his own American Federation grow from a few hundred thousand to three million members (eight million today). His last message to those members, before his death December 13, 1924, urged them to be true to America and to their unions. His dying words were for his country ("God bless our American institutions. May they grow better day by day") because he firmly believed "America is an ideal—the ideal of people everywhere." As a boy he heard men cry in the streets—and he never forgot to fight for the ideal of all people: a better life.

Doctors Stop Co-op. By Using Law Which Allows Monopolies

Remember those American Medical Association (AMA) ads that the daily papers ran last October?

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"Just how free is the free enterprise organized medicine is talking about in its current . . . propaganda campaign has been graphically demonstrated in Staunton, Ill.," reported the St. Louis Post-Dispatch on November 18.

"There a group of citizens wanted to establish a cooperative hospital which would have provided, among other things, prepaid preventive medical care to the members of the cooperative.

"But this inevitably would have affected Macoupin County doctors' pocketbooks, and the physicians would have none of it. They have prevented the cooperative from operating, with the help of an Illinois law which not only permits medical monopolies, but makes them mandatory.

"The Legislature at Springfield decreed last year that no medical service plan corporation can be formed unless a majority of the trustees are doctors.

"And to rivet the control of organized medicine over such plans, the law also says that none can be formed unless a majority of the doctors in the area to be served agree to participate. . . .

"The law says, in short, that doctors, and only organized doctors, shall decide what fees are to be charged and how much or how little service they must provide their patients.

"A very strange sort of free enterprise this. . ."—(LLPE).

Philly Group Joins AFL Tugboatmen

Philadelphia (LPA). — The 250 members of the United Harbor Workers Union of this city have voted unanimously to join the International Longshoremen's Association, AFL. The new ILA members are tugboatmen, and will enter Local 333, the parent union's big tugboat local. They formerly belonged to the United Mine Workers District 50.

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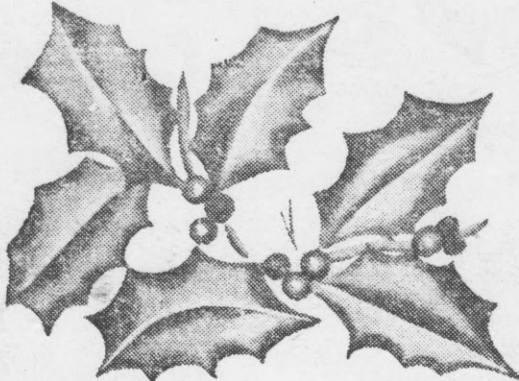
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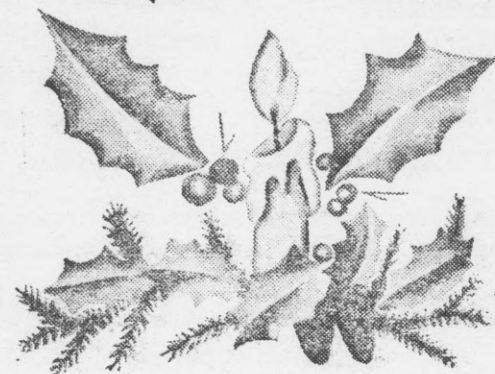
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